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Governor Doyle announces \$23.2 million in Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality awards

Governor Jim Doyle today announced \$23.2 million in Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) awards that will help fund 20 transportation-related projects in southeastern Wisconsin's ozone non-attainment and maintenance areas over the next three years. The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) administers the awards that can fund traffic flow improvement projects, new bicycle and pedestrian facilities, enhanced public transit services, and other air quality-related transportation improvements.

"This funding will help ease traffic congestion, improve air quality, and boost tourism throughout southeast Wisconsin, which in turn will spur economic growth and support job creation and business development throughout the state," Governor Doyle said.

The largest grant, for \$6 million, will go to the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Transit Authority for preliminary and final engineering to upgrade and rehabilitate existing tracks and make other improvements to sidings, stations and equipment facilities as part of the 33-mile KRM commuter rail extension from the City of Kenosha, through Racine, to the City of Milwaukee. Another large grant, for \$5 million, will be used by the Wisconsin DOT to make improvements at the Downtown Milwaukee Intermodal Station. A \$4 million grant will go to the City of Kenosha to nearly triple the miles covered by its electric streetcar system, to 3.4 miles. Examples of smaller projects are: rideshare shuttle services, traffic signal systems alignment, bicycle lane installations, and public transit marketing/awareness.

The CMAQ program provides federal transportation funds to states to cover up to 80 percent of project costs; local governments pay the remainder. Since 1998, over \$145 million in federal CMAQ awards have been distributed in Wisconsin.

Officials with the state Department of Natural Resources, the Southeastern Wisconsin and Bay Lake regional planning commissions, and WisDOT jointly review and approve the awards.

Projects are evaluated based on their potential to reduce vehicular trips, promote multi-modal connections, and fit in with local transportation planning priorities. Eleven counties in Wisconsin are eligible for the grants because they are designated under the federal Clean Air Act as ozone non-attainment and maintenance counties. They are: Milwaukee, Racine, Kenosha, Waukesha, Walworth, Washington, Ozaukee, Sheboygan, Kewaunee, Manitowoc and Door.

Editors: A complete list of projects, sponsors and CMAQ awards is attached. For more information about a specific project, call WisDOT's John Duffe at (608) 264-8723.

PROJECTS AWARDED CMAQ FUNDING

Sponsor	Project title	Description	CMAQ award	Total project cost
City of Kenosha	Kenosha Bicycle Routes	Construct 1.4 miles of off-road, 10 ft. wide asphalt trail and 17.9 miles of on-road bicycle routes at numerous locations in the City of Kenosha.	\$208,829	\$261,036
City of Kenosha	Kenosha Electric Streetcar Expansion	Construct a 3.4-mile expansion of the current 2-mile electric streetcar system operated by the City of Kenosha.	\$4,006,168	\$5,201,960
City of Racine	Ride Share Shuttle Services	Purchase and operate a rideshare van to transport unemployed low-income persons to job locations.	\$139,250	\$173,063
City of Waukesha	Traffic Signal Systems Analysis	Optimize six signal systems (46 intersections) in the City of Waukesha based on current traffic patterns and the conversion of one-way streets to two-way operation.	\$144,680	\$180,850
City of Waukesha	Central Business District Proposed Traffic Signal Interconnect System	Install cameras or inlay pavement loops at nine pre-timed signal locations in the CBD to achieve full actuation and interconnect with 13 other signals.	\$220,720	\$275,900
City of Milwaukee	Expansion of Traffic Adaptive Signal System	Expand the proposed traffic adaptive signal system to include S. 27th St., W. Forest Home Ave, and W. Oklahoma Avenue.	\$456,000	\$570,000
City of	Clean Fleet	Install diesel oxidation	\$264,476	\$330,595

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Milwaukee	Emissions Reduction Initiative	catalysts on 28 refuse packers; reprogram electronic control modules on 73 packers to reduce idling; increase bio-diesel concentration in all diesel equipment in the City's on- and off-road fleet.		
City of Milwaukee	Installation of Coordinated Traffic Signals at Six All-Way Stop Controlled Intersections	Install coordinated traffic signals at: W. Howard Avenue and S. 43rd Street, S. 51st Street, S. 68th Street, and S. 84th Street; W. Keefe Avenue and N. 51st Boulevard; and N. Humboldt Avenue and N. Kane Place.	\$312,000	\$390,000
City of Milwaukee	Bicycle Lane Installations	Install 20 to 30 miles of new bicycle lanes on city streets based on a Bicycle Federation of Wisconsin's project that identified 145 miles of high-priority segments for bicycle lanes in the City of Milwaukee.	\$280,000	\$350,000
Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Transit Authority	KRM Commuter Rail Link	Engineering to upgrade existing tracks; construct new tracks for passing sidings; install train control signals; upgrade grade crossing signals; build stations and a train equipment facility as part of the 33-mile commuter rail extension from the City of Kenosha to the City of Milwaukee.	\$6,000,000	\$7,500,000
Milwaukee County	Southeast Wisconsin Transit Marketing Partnership	Improve public awareness of public transportation services in SE Wisconsin through advertising, promotion, and public information.	\$1,020,000	\$1,275,000
Wisconsin Department of Transportation	Amtrak Hiawatha Service advertising	Continue to promote Amtrak's Hiawatha Service, with radio and newspaper advertisements in Milwaukee and Chicago.	\$240,000	\$300,000
Wisconsin Department of Transportation	Improvements to the Downtown Milwaukee Intermodal Station	Replace and raise the existing train shed roof at the Milwaukee Intermodal Station. Project will include photovoltaic panels; improved ventilation and lighting;	\$5,000,000	\$6,250,000

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		construction of a gallery walkway over the three platforms; resurfacing and replacing train platforms; and adjusting track alignment.		
Milwaukee County	Oak Leaf Trail – Phase 3	Construct 2.1 mile, 10 ft. wide asphalt path within the WE Energy utility corridor between 3900 W. Bradley Rd. and 2900 W. Mill Road.	\$448,000	\$560,000
Wisconsin Department of Transportation	Brown Deer Road Signal and ITS Improvements	Design and install integrated traffic signals and ITS elements (CCTV, pavement detection, VMS) along Brown Deer Road (STH 100) between IH 43 and USH 45.	\$1,725,444	\$2,156,805
City of Racine	Signal Interconnect and System Timing Optimization (South)	Interconnect signals and optimize multiple traffic signals south of 6 th Street in the City of Racine.	\$438,840	\$548,550
City of Racine	Signal Interconnect and System Timing Optimization (North)	Interconnect signals and optimize multiple traffic signals north of 6 th Street in the City of Racine.	\$478,400	\$598,000
City of Sheboygan	Milwaukee to Green Bay Intercity Bus Services	Provide two additional round-trip bus trips between the Milwaukee Intermodal Station and the City of Manitowoc, with possible extensions to General Mitchell International Airport and to the City of Green Bay.	\$543,957	\$679,946
Village of Jackson	Park and Ride Lot Relocation	Construct a new park-ride lot north of STH 60 and west of CTH P along Apple Lane; remove nearby existing park-ride lot.	\$473,236	\$591,546
City of West Allis	Cross-Town Connector Bike Trail	Construct a tunnel under the Union Pacific Railroad spanning approximately 150 ft. between IH 894 and STH 100 in the City of West Allis.	\$800,000	\$1,000,000
		TOTALS	\$23,200,000 CMAQ AWARDS	\$29,000,000 TOTAL PROJECT COSTS